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THE LAST  
COCKTAIL PARTY

ARRANGED BY THE PRESENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

WILL BE HELD ON

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21st, from 6 P. M. to 8:30 P. M.

IN THE CLUBROOMS

APPETIZERS AND REFRESHMENTS AD INFINITUM WILL BE SERVED.

TARIFF FOR MEMBERS AND GUESTS WILL BE THE SAME --- \$2.00 EACH FOR EVERYTHING

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SPEAKER ----- EDWIN MULLER

Ed Muller, roving editor of Reader's Digest, has returned from four months' in Europe. He was one of the few correspondents to be on hand for the coup in Czechoslovakia and will give some inside information of the coup. Muller was there for several months and then spent some time in France. He will speak informally.

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The jackpot book of the evening will be "TELL THE WEST" by Jerzy Gliksman, who will be present. Gliksman, a Socialist, was imprisoned in a slave labor camp in the USSR when the Russians overran Poland.

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Kathryn Cravens, a member of the House Committee, will be the hostess on April 21st.

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The proposed slate of officers and Governors for the Overseas Press Club of America was announced by the Nominating Committee in the Bulletin of last week. You can refer to it for the list.

KEEP THE DATE OF THE EVENING OF WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28th, OPEN FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING. DINNER WILL PRECEDE THE ELECTIONS.

AMENDMENTS TO BE VOTED UPON BY THE MEMBERSHIP AT THIS MEETING ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(REFER TO YOUR COPY OF THE CLUB CONSTITUTION IN THE WHO'S WHO)

ARTICLE V, Section Three: to be amended to read: The Board of Governors ..... shall appoint ..... an Admissions Committee. (The name of the Committee is thus changed from Membership to Admissions.)

It is understood that the Board will appoint under the clause "such committees as it may deem proper", a Membership Committee, which shall have the duty of bringing into the club correspondents who will add to the prestige of the club; a Ways and Means Committee; a House Committee; an Inter-American Committee and any other committees which it may deem necessary during the year to keep the Club functioning to the best advantage of all members.

ARTICLE X, By-Laws-Section 2: Substitute the word "Admissions Committee" for "Membership Committee".

ARTICLE X, By-Laws-Section 3 (a). "..... the Executive Secretary ... shall cause ... names of applicants for membership ... to be posted in the Club Bulletin (thus the Club Bulletin is substituted for the Club Bulletin Board.) FURTHER REFERENCE TO THE COMMITTEE SHALL BE CHANGED TO READ THE ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE RATHER THAN TO THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

ARTICLE X, By-Laws-Section 7: ..... to be deleted from the Constitution.

ARTICLE X, By-Laws-Section 8: to be amended to read: Each year the Executive Secretary shall present every member in good standing with a Membership Card. (The rest of the Section to be deleted.)

SPECIAL NOTICE ..... ONLY ACTIVE MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING MAY VOTE.

NOT TO BE FORGOTTEN ..... ASSETS OF THE CLUB ARE HELD JOINTLY BY THE ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE CLUB ..... They include the Treasury of approximately \$11,000; the \$1,600 worth of furniture; the library of almost 1,000 books and additional copies of the Who's Who worth several thousand dollars, plus many uncounted assets, too numerous to mention.

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Eddy Gilmore of the Associated Press Bureau in Moscow made a hurried trip to the States recently ..... all very hush-hush.

Wes Gallagher, head of the European Bureau of the Associated Press, is en route to the States.... he will arrive this weekend and speak at the annual meeting of the Associated Press, which begins Monday, April 19th.

Charles Campbell, who is the Comptroller of the United Press, reports that Virgil Pinkley, former vice president and general European manager, is now associated with the Times-Mirror of Los Angeles. A. L. Bradford will take his place, beginning May First.

Arch Steele has cabled from Capetown, South Africa where he is covering for the N.Y. Herald Tribune the following message to members of the club. "Feel deeply appreciative and honored your award wish could be there to thank you personally".

Nat Barrows who covers the United Nations for the Chicago Daily News, answered the SOS about Bill McGaffin. Bill is reported back in London for the Chicago Daily News Foreign Service after a holiday in the United States. He underwent a minor operation at the Mayo Clinic, lost some 20 pounds and looked fit and full of vigor when he sailed from New York last week.

With McGaffin's arrival at the London Bureau of CDN, Ernie Hill, former CDN correspondent in Latin America, moves down to Rome, relieving John A. Thale, who will return to Latin America for the CDN. Fred Sparks, is still in Greece; David M. Nichol, after a trip to Finland, is back in Berlin; Leigh White is in the Middle East, currently at Teheran and George Weller, after finishing his Nieman Fellowship year at Harvard in June, will probably go to the Middle East.

Barrows, who gave us all the interesting news about the CDN boys, is going to Europe himself this summer for a look around in old haunts before covering the UN General Assembly in Paris, beginning in September (which many of our members will be covering, incidentally).

George Kent of the Reader's Digest, leaves on April 15th by plane for Italy where he will cover the elections and then spend several months in other European countries.

According to Bim Pond's Program magazine, George Moorad, author of "Behind the Iron Curtain", left for Palestine, Greece and Iraq recently. He will also go to Turkey and the Middle East ---- to return in several months.

Danish editions of our recent book "Deadline Delayed" have been received in the club-rooms. The new book "As We See Russia" will be published in early September by E.P. Dutton.

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Ralph Forte, stationed in Madrid, Spain for the United Press, writes that he enjoys reading the Bulletin so much that he passes it along to Tom Allen of the UP; Al West of the AP; Ed Knoblauch of INS and Paul Kennedy of the N.Y. Times. "It helps us keep check on the boys and girls and their efforts to maintain the peace (sic).", says Ralph, who is enjoying the fine weather of Spain and who says "Que tal?" to all, especially Tom Morgan, John Gunther, Joe Phillips and Bill Chaplin.

Milton Kelly, of the Associated Press Bureau in New Delhi, India, writes that there are a good lot of American press sahibs and memsahibs there--- altho most of them were a little bedraggled by the time they got through the Gandhi story. Max Desfor is the AP photographer out there and Steven David is a new staffer. Don Huth (a member who is in New York now) came back when his 5 year old daughter died of typhoid there and Walt Mason, also in New York now, brought his wife home for medical care not available in India.

Kelly continues to be the healthiest guy in the country----- probably too ornery for the bugs to bite, says Milt, who also would order, if in Times Square now, eight pounds of hot dogs, six gallons of milk, twelve apple pies and a steak with everything but the bell on it.

FULLY ACCREDITED WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT IS ANXIOUS TO REPRESENT ADDITIONAL NEWS ORGANIZATIONS ..... CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU CAN USE SOME MORE D. C. COVERAGE.

Fred Barton, one of our out-of-town contingent, dropped into the OPC office last week. He had a question. ... In Times Square, a lady hailed him and asked how to get to 8th Ave. She said she was from Jersey. After he told her, he could not shake her for a while; she wanted to talk about the government, the weather, all sorts of things. Question: Was she really from Jersey and was she really a lady?

More and more members are using the clubrooms overlooking Times Square for quiet reading and browsing around the club library. Stationery, typewriters, telephones are also at their disposal for writing letters, articles or making calls.

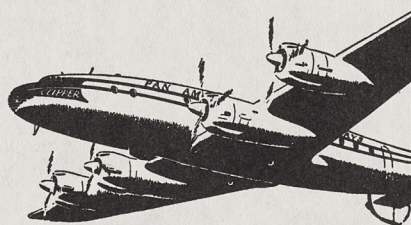
RALPH J. FRANTZ, TREASURER, SAYS THAT DUES ARE BEING PAID IN RECORD TIME THIS YEAR. BILLS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF THE CLUB WHICH RUNS FROM APRIL FIRST TO APRIL FIRST WERE SENT OUT THE LAST WEEK IN MARCH. TEN BUCKS IN THIS DAY OF INFLATION IS A PRETTY MODEST TARIFF .....

IF YOU WISH ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE CLUB WHO'S WHO, WRITE OR CALL THE OFFICE. PRICE TO MEMBERS IS ONE DOLLAR AND TO NON-MEMBERS TWO DOLLARS.

William Winter, Emil Lengyel, Joseph Barnes, William Shirer, Gregor Ziemer and Frank Gervasi will be on the 1948-49 list of lecturers handled by Roxanna Wells of New York.

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More than 300 members and guests of the Overseas Press Club and the Radio Executives Club attended the joint luncheon on April First at the Hotel Roosevelt. Asst. Secretary of State George Allen's speech was amply reported in the papers the following day. He related an amusing story about the way two correspondents won part of the war in Iran. Bill Goodman and Clifton Daniel, one of our members now in London for the N.Y. Times, went by jeep beyond the Teheran troops to Aserbijian, which the Communist troops had left at that point instead of making a stand. The two correspondents had to direct the surrendering local troops to the Teheran boys who were behind them. They were intent on getting a news outlet and got the radio station functioning when they found the employees were sitting around waiting for instructions from the advancing troops. Allen's speech was broadcast over WNBC from 1:15 to 1:30 P.M.

Glimpsed around were Isaac Don Levine, editor of Plain Talk; Ed Murrow of CBS; Adele Nathan's guest, John White, former correspondent of the N.Y. Times in South America; Ed Rosenthal of Scope Magazine; Dave Ballard's guest, Edgar Baker, general manager of Time-Life International; Hortense MacDonald and Charles Thamboe, one of our guest members, from Indonesia.

Anne O'Hare McCormick, who was wearing the OPC award of a Hamilton gold watch, said, in thanking the club for the gift, that a watch was a most appropriate award for this year. She felt that correspondents especially have to be aware of the time "and that it is later than we think." Mrs. McCormick said that the "eyes of Europe were on the minute hand of the clock". Besides the Americans in Berlin, two million Germans depend on the U.S. for food. Mrs. McCormick hoped that Berlin would not be "expendable" and that if we backed down in any way to the Russians, the United States would suffer an enormous loss of prestige.

This joint luncheon was a tremendous success, indicating that closer cooperation of clubs with allied interests can be achieved and provide extra stimulus for both groups. Guests of honor included Wilbur Forrest of the N.Y. Herald Tribune; Philip Reed, managing editor of the International News Service; L. A. Brophy, chief of the AP World Service and Charles Thayer, chief of the "Voice of America" in New York. William Hedges of NBC, President of the Radio Executives and Bob Considine of INS, our President, divided the honors of presiding.

Mr. Hedges announced that the next meeting of the REC would feature some artists from the circus, arriving in N. Y. in habitual Spring fashion. Considine said .... modestly .... that Prince Peter of Greece would be the speaker at our luncheon of April 7th.

Gwen Jones won the jackpot book at the luncheon of March 24th. The book was "Defeat in the West" by Milton Shulman and published by E. P. Dutton and Co.

Bernard Estes had been the exponent of this joint luncheon idea for many months and was gratified with the result.

Hester E. Hensell, Editor

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